

1 charter contains an unnecessary and potentially dangerous
2 grant of extended authority to the Comptroller. In addi-
3 tion to those powers necessary to fulfill his responsibility
4 for auditing the State's accounts, he is to have such other
5 powers as are vested in him by this Constitution or by
6 law." That would permit the legislature to grant him
7 powers far outside his own office. Were you aware of
8 that, sir?

9 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Sybert.

10 DELEGATE SYBERT: I wasn't aware of that par-
11 ticular editorial, but I want to point out we have never
12 had the State Comptroller an auditor of the State's
13 accounts.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Maurer.

15 DELEGATE MAURER: You referred to the elected
16 Comptroller in the New York State Constitution, but it is
17 my understanding, and I wonder if it is yours, that the
18 Comptroller in the New York State is the name given to
19 the auditor and not to the manager of the fiscal affairs of
20 the State?

21 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Sybert.